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John V. TYRRELL et al.

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COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR

DETECTING RAPHIDOPHYTES

Examiner: C. Myers

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 12, 2000, Paper No. 4 with attached Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures. This extension will extend the time the response is due from November 12, 2000 to February 12, 2001.

- A three month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$445.00.
- A check in the amount of \$445.00 is attached.
- Charge \$____ to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 506812000100.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. 506812000100. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 2001

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